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WEEKLY SUMMARY

MM 509-C, on 2/12/63, advised that MILTON "BUDDY"

VSPITZER (Miami File 165-211) had taken over the operation of the Sunshine Raly Club, Miami Beach, which is a card playing, bookmaking and gambling hangout. On 3/12/63, this source advised that SPITZER only controlled the operations of the Sunshine Raly Club about two weeks and gave it up.

MM 675-C, on 3/8/63, advised that on 3/8/63, the cube Miami Beach PD arrested CHARLES SANDO, a Cuban at 6955 Rue Vendon, Miami Beach, Fla., for bookmaking. He said he learned there were two telephones in the apartment and that this was a bookmaking operation controlled by SPITZER. MM 509-C, on 3/19/63, reported he heard SPITZER had recently been arrested by the Miami Beach PD for bookmaking. On 3/26/63, this source reported that he heard SPITZER was going to try to confine his activities, hereafter to shylocking.

On 3/29/63, JOHN "SKIPPY" QUARTARONE (Miami File 165-6), was arrested by the Dade County Department of Public Safety, Miami, Fla. He was charged with vagrancy and failure

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to appear on two old traffic charges. QUARTARONE was also charged with operating a whicle with an invalid driver's license. Located in QUARTARONE's automobile was a sack of 25 cent slugs, apparently prepared fir use in telephones. QUARTARONE said he had come to Miami several days previously to stand trial with RALPH GEORGE SHEA (Miami File 165-6) as both were charged on 2/13/62, with "Entering without Breaking, a Public Telephone Booth to commit a felony." This trial however, has been postponed, to an undetermined date.

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MM 609-C advised that subsequent to the arrest of RALPH GEORGE SHEA, on 2/18/63, when he was charged with / "illegal dissemination of racing information" that SHEA is again disseminating racing results, but the time lag is now 20 - 25 minutes after the horse race is run.

PCI, furnished similar information to the above and added that SHEA has only a few bookmaker clients for his race results, because they believe he istopprone to arrest and his race results are sometimes unreliable.

IRS, Miami, on 3/28/63, arrested NATHAN/FRANKEL, 1410 Ocean Drive, Miami Beach, and FRANCIS/GRECO, 1512—Washington Avenue, Miami Beach, and were charged with accepting bets without purchasing a Federal gambling stamp. These two were taking bets over a two-telephone set up in a house at 735 N.W. 123rd Street. IRS on the same date arrested JOSEPH CHIERICO, operator of Sonny's Restaurant, 247 - 23rd St., Miami Beach, which was the "check-in point" for this operation. CHIERICO reportedly is a partner in the alleged operation with THOMAS ALTAMURA (Miami File 92-410).

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